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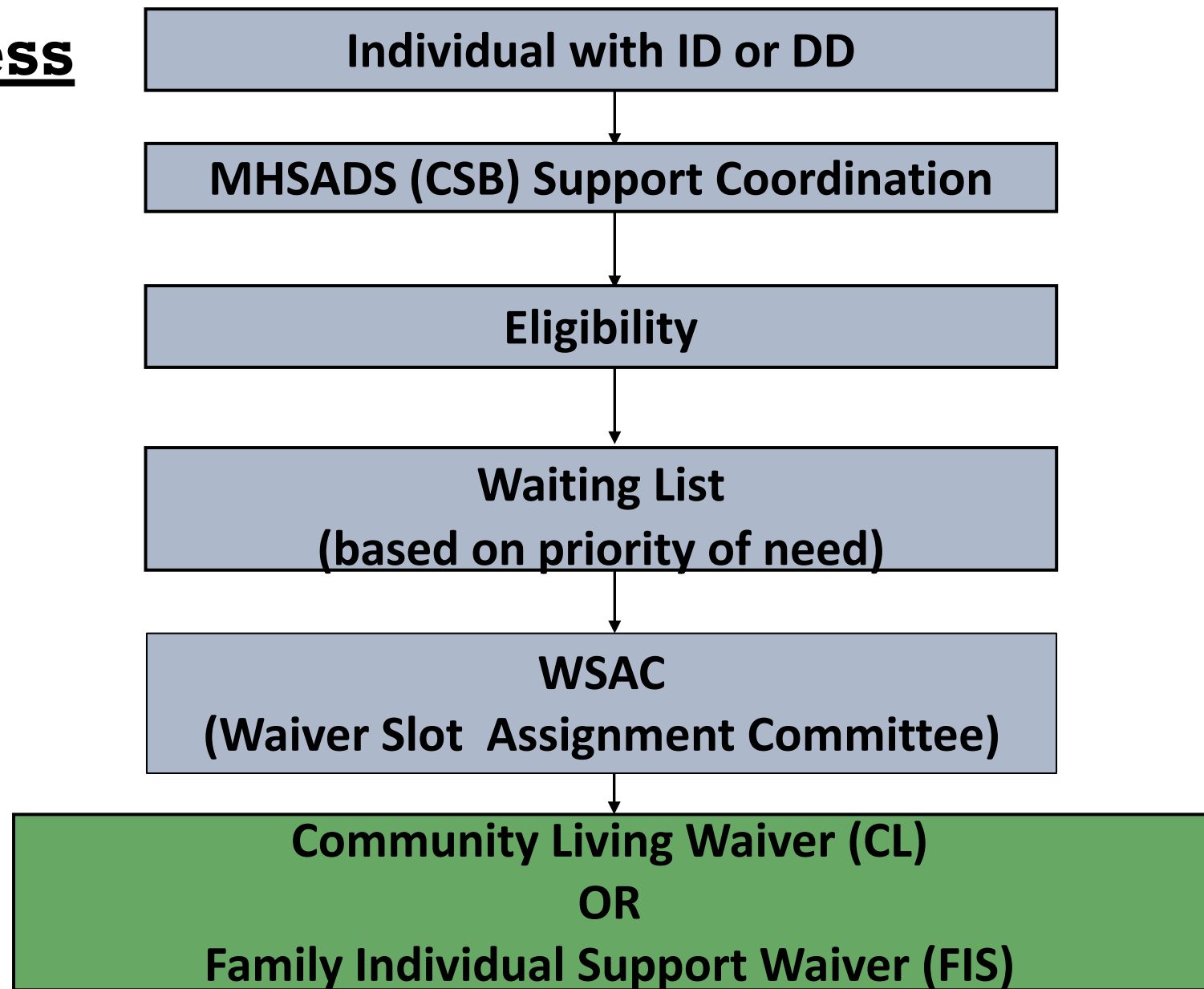
Virginia's Developmental Waivers A Year on The DD Waiver Waiting List

Loudoun County Support Coordination

DD Waivers, the Process



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Eligibility



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- ✓ Possess a diagnosis of DD (manifested prior to age 22)
- ✓ Meet level of care criteria (determined by the VIDES)
- ✓ Meet Medicaid financial eligibility
- ✓ Accept services within 30 days

Developmental Disability



DD Definition being used by the Commonwealth of Virginia:

"Developmental disability" means a severe, chronic disability of an individual that

- (i) is attributable to a mental or physical impairment, or a combination of mental and physical impairments, other than a sole diagnosis of mental illness;
- (ii) is manifested before the individual reaches 22 years of age;
- (iii) is likely to continue indefinitely;
- (iv) results in substantial functional limitations in three or more of the following areas of major life activity: self-care, receptive and expressive language, learning, mobility, self-direction, capacity for independent living, or economic self-sufficiency; and
- (v) reflects the individual's need for a combination and sequence of special interdisciplinary or generic services, individualized supports, or other forms of assistance that are of lifelong or extended duration and are individually planned and coordinated. An individual from birth to age nine, inclusive, who has a substantial developmental delay or specific congenital or acquired condition may be considered to have a developmental disability without meeting three or more of the criteria described in clauses (i) through (v) if the individual, without services and supports, has a high probability of meeting those criteria later in life.

Virginia Individual Developmental Disability Eligibility Survey (VIDES)



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- Assessment used to determine functional eligibility for the DD waiver
- Used initially and annually by the Support Coordinator to confirm functional eligibility for the DD Waivers.
- Includes versions for infants (0-2), children (2-17) and adults (18 and over).

VIDES



- Has between seven and eight categories, depending on the individual's age.
- Infants and children: must meet criteria in two categories.
- Adults must meet criteria in three categories.

Health Status

Communication

Task Learning Skills

Personal/Self Care

Motor Skills

Behavior

Community Living Skills

Self Direction Skills

Waiver Eligibility

If an individual meets both diagnostic and functional eligibility, they qualify to be added to the Waiver waiting list.



- ✓ Determine the individual's priority needs level
- ✓ Complete a Critical Needs Summary documenting the person's level of urgency; priority 1 only.
- ✓ Place the person's name on the waiting list via the Waiver Management System, WaMS

The Waiver wait list is maintained by Loudoun Support Coordination for all individuals under our jurisdiction.

Priority Ranking



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Priority 1: Will need waiver services within one year and meets specific criteria

Priority 2: May require waiver services in one to five years and meets specific criteria

Priority 3: May not present for waiver services in over five years as long as the current supports and services remain

Critical Needs Score



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- For individuals who qualify as a priority 1, a critical needs score (CNS) is determined.
- State assessment, which assesses current needs and assigns points.
- The CNS determines where on the priority 1 waiting list the person falls.
- The CNS can be updated at any time as the individual's needs or situations change.

Waiver Assignment



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- **To be considered for slot assignment, an individual must:**
 - ✓ Be determined to meet one of the Priority One criteria
 - ✓ Accept the specific Waiver if it were offered
- **And continue to...**
 - ✓ Meet diagnostic and functional eligibility requirements
 - ✓ Be willing to accept services within 30 days

Waiver Assignment (cont.)



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- When Loudoun County has Waiver slots available for assignment, they contact the assigned Waiver Slot Allocation Committee (WSAC) facilitator who calls a meeting. The top scoring critical needs individuals are included in the WSAC's summary for review.
- Slot Assignment Review Forms for these individuals are forwarded to the WSAC facilitator for distribution prior to the meeting. These forms provide information on the individual's current needs, they do not contain names or identifiable information.

Waiver Slot Assignment Committee (WSAC)



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- An impartial body of trained volunteers for each locality/region responsible for assigning waiver slots according to urgency of need.
- Comprised of community members who will not be affiliated with a CSB or a private provider
- Members have some knowledge and/or experience with persons with DD or the service system.

WSCAs members will receive training, maintain confidential information and meet as required to determine persons with the highest level of need.

Virginia's DD Waivers



Building Independence Waiver (BI)

For adults (18+) able to live independently in the community. Individuals own, lease, or control their own living arrangements and supports are complemented by non-waiver-funded rent subsidies.

Family and Individual Support Waiver (FIS)

For individuals living with their families, friends, or in their own homes, including supports for those with some medical or behavioral needs. Available to both children and adults.

Community Living Waiver (CL)

Includes residential supports and a full array of medical, behavioral, and non-medical supports. Available to adults and children. May include 24/7 supports for individuals with complex medical and/or behavioral support needs through licensed services.

Assignment



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- Once a Waiver slot is assigned a support coordinator is assigned.
- The support coordinator will contact the individual and discuss which specific waiver was assigned and arrange a meeting to discuss available services.
- An individual support plan will be developed and the individual will be linked to their chosen service providers.

County resources while waiting..

State Rental Assistance Program (SRAP)

- Eligibility: individuals must ...
 - Be age 18 or over
 - Be interested in living independently in the community and have access to the supports needed to do so
 - Be the head of household for lease purposes
 - Have an intellectual or developmental disability, AND
 - Meet one of the following criteria
 - Currently reside in a training center, ICF, or nursing facility OR
 - Receive DD waiver services OR
 - On a waitlist to receive DD waiver services



County resources while waiting Children's Service Act (CSA)



- CSA is operated through Loudoun's Department of Family Services (DFS).
- CSA provides time limited funding for specific needs, when no other funding is available.
- Common requests include: therapy funding (ABA, speech, OT, residential school (the residential portion only)).
- People must be under 18 to access these funds and be determined to be at risk to qualify.

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